

## IN SOUTH AFRICA.

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Strong Efforts Are Still Being Made in the Transvaal and England to Preserve Peace—Russia and Germany's Attitude in the Matter.

LONDON, Oct. 6.—Nothing important has developed as to the Transvaal situation since Thursday morning. The Daily Telegraph's dispatch of Thursday morning announcing that the Boers had invaded Natal and seized Laing's Nek now seems to be without foundation. The government has received nothing to justify the report, although such a move on the part of the Boers would naturally cause little surprise.

The British position in Natal was considerably strengthened by the arrival Thursday of Indian transports with reinforcements of about 2,500 in infantry, cavalry and artillery, all of which will be promptly sent to the front by train and with their arrival at Glencoe and Ladysmith Friday or Saturday the British advanced camp and lines of communication will be practically safeguarded against the risk of a successful dash across the frontier by the Boers.

LONDON, Oct. 6.—While there is no diminution in the flood of dispatches from South Africa recording with almost tiresome iteration the military preparations and movements of both sides, with all kinds of accurate and inaccurate rumors and speculation, the real situation remains unchanged. It is evident that strong efforts are still being made to preserve peace, simultaneously with determined energy to be prepared for any emergency.

It is expected that 3,000 reserves will be called out Friday and that an army corps will be mobilized on the 15th or 20th of the month. In the meantime it is interesting to note that neither side shows anxiety to precipitate a conflict, but is rather inclined to give opportunity for the play of peace influences. The mysterious visit of Count Muraviev, the Russian minister of foreign affairs, to San Sebastian where he saw the queen regent and the king of Spain, and had long conferences with Senor Silveira, Spanish premier, occupies political minds. From Spain Count Muraviev will go to Paris.

Russia's attitude in the Transvaal matter is common knowledge. Germany is officially neutral, but Emperor William's famous telegram to President Kruger is not forgotten, and this, added to France's bitterness since the Fashoda affair, and Spain's resentment of England's attitude during the Hispano-American war, sets the people asking what the motives for Count Muraviev's tour are.

The jingo press pooh-poohs the idea of European interference but in the same breath eagerly seizes upon any incident, such as the American's cur races, to insist on the growing Anglo-American friendship.

LONDON, Oct. 6.—Among the minor items of news Friday morning is the report that Premier Schreiner, of Cape Colony, has cabled a response to the dispatch from the Manchester Transvaal committee saying that the Cape government, himself and Mr. Hofmeyer are ready and even anxious to do anything in their power to advance a peaceful settlement of the Transvaal trouble.

### Both Were Killed.

LITTLE ROCK, Ark., Oct. 6.—John J. Bowles, one of the best known planters in Arkansas, was killed at Reedville Thursday in a fight with his nephew, Edgar Reed. The latter was also killed, both men firing simultaneously. The tragedy was the result of a quarrel over the removal of a wood shed belonging to Young Bowles. Bowles' family was noted for its fighting record. John Bowles had already killed two men. He was a man of considerable wealth.

### Luggage From the Wrecked Boatman.

ST. JOHNS, N. F., Oct. 6.—A schooner with 220 pieces of luggage belonging to passengers of the British steamer Scotsman, which went ashore in the straits of Belle Isle while en route from Liverpool to Montreal, arrived at Change Island from the wreck Thursday.

### Eleven Ballots Without Results.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 5.—The District of Columbia democratic central committee met Thursday night to select a successor to the late Lawrence Gardner as the district member of the democratic national committee, and adjourned indefinitely without choice, after taking 11 ballots.

### Sympathetic Strike.

DUBOIS, Pa., Oct. 6.—The miners at Daguis mines struck Thursday. One thousand men are idle. The strike is one of sympathy to aid the Tioga miners, who have been idle three months.

## MORE SIGNATURES.

The President Asked to Offer His Friendly Services as Mediator Between England and the Transvaal.

NEW YORK, Oct. 6.—Several hundred signatures were added Thursday to the petition to President McKinley urging him to offer his friendly service as mediator between England and the two South African republics, the Transvaal and the Orange Free State. The petition was signed by judges of the United States courts, governors of states, the presiding officers of state legislatures, senators, members of congress, eminent ecclesiastical dignitaries, presidents of colleges and other citizens, whose standing is of the highest. W. J. Bryan declined to sign the petition because of the attitude of the United States on the Philippine question, although he endorsed the suggestion that the government should use its good offices to prevent war.

## VICE PRESIDENT MARISCAL.

His Party Left Houston, Tex., Thursday for New Orleans, Where They Will Take a Train for Chicago.

HOUSTON, Tex., Oct. 6.—After spending a few hours here visiting the city as the guests of Mayor Brashers, Vice President Mariscal and party, of Mexico, escorted by Col. Roberts, the representative of Chicago; Gen. McKibben, the representative of President McKinley and the national government, and Joseph Lee Jameson, representing Gov. Sayers and the state government, departed for New Orleans, where they will take the Illinois Central to Chicago. The magnificent train and distinguished party attracted much attention all through Texas.

## The 29th Regiment Sails for Manila.

SAN FRANCISCO, Oct. 6.—The transports City of Para, Zealandia and Valencia sailed Thursday night for Manila with the 29th regiment and a large number of recruits. The headquarters staff and band, together with seven companies of the 29th regiment, are on the Para. Col. Hardin is in command. The Zealandia has on board the remaining five companies of the 29th under Capt. Sargeant. Eleven members of the signal corps also departed on the Zealandia.

## Stay of Execution Granted.

SPRINGFIELD, Ill., Oct. 6.—Gov. Tanner Thursday granted a stay of execution until Friday, November 10, to August A. Becker, sentenced to hang Friday, October 13, at Chicago, as the case is before the supreme court, and as no decision has been rendered. Becker cut his wife to pieces and boiled the remains in a vat. He married the girl on whose account he murdered his wife. She afterward secured a divorce.

## Commissioner Extraordinary.

NEW YORK, Oct. 6.—Jas. R. O'Beirne made the announcement Thursday night that he had been appointed commissioner extraordinary in the United States for the Transvaal by President Kruger. The appointment was made two days ago by a cablegram sent to Rev. Dr. Bosman, Kruger's personal friend and adviser, who was in this country attending the Pan-Presbyterian conference at Washington.

## Peace Meetings Disturbed.

LONDON, Oct. 6.—Peace meetings held at Halifax and Birmingham Thursday night were scenes of much disturbance. At the Birmingham meeting crowds of Jingoists invaded the hall, cheering Mr. Chamberlain and singing "Rule Britannia," and the orators had to be content to shout their speeches into the reporters' ears.

## Bridge to Be Wrecked by Dynamite.

LONDON, Oct. 6.—The correspondent of the Standard at Beaufort, West Rand, says that fugitives who have arrived there report that 40 tons of dynamite have been laid down for the destruction of the railroad bridge over the Orange river at Nobels Point, a frontier station between Cape Colony and the Free State.

## Battle Ship Texas at Hampton.

FORTRESS MONROE, Va., Oct. 6.—The battle ship Texas, the first of the North Atlantic squadron to arrive from Tompkinsville, steamed into Hampton Roads at 8 o'clock Thursday evening and anchored off the fort. The balance of the white squadron was expected Friday morning.

## Explosives Found in the Cape Town Post Office.

LONDON, Oct. 6.—A dispatch from Cape Town says that a quantity of explosives was found inside the Cape Town post office Thursday and that an attempt has been made to murder the staff at the Colesburg railway junction.

## Will Be Regarded as Unfriendly.

LONDON, Oct. 6.—The Paris correspondent of the Daily News says that both France and Spain would regard as an unfriendly act any cession of Portuguese territory in East Africa to England.

## Rioting Miners Indicted.

MARION, Ill., Oct. 6.—The grand jury Thursday turned in the first list of indictments against the persons connected with the Cartersville riot. Twelve were indicted for murder.

## Will Meet in St. Louis Next Year.

PROVIDENCE, R. I., Oct. 6.—The American board of foreign missions has voted to meet in Pilgrim church, St. Louis, next year.

## STEAMER BURNED

The Leona, of the Mallory Line, With Cargo of Tobacco and Cotton, Lost.

THE CARGO IS VALUED AT \$300,000.

The Fire Broke Out in the Hold While at Sea and Was Battered Down.

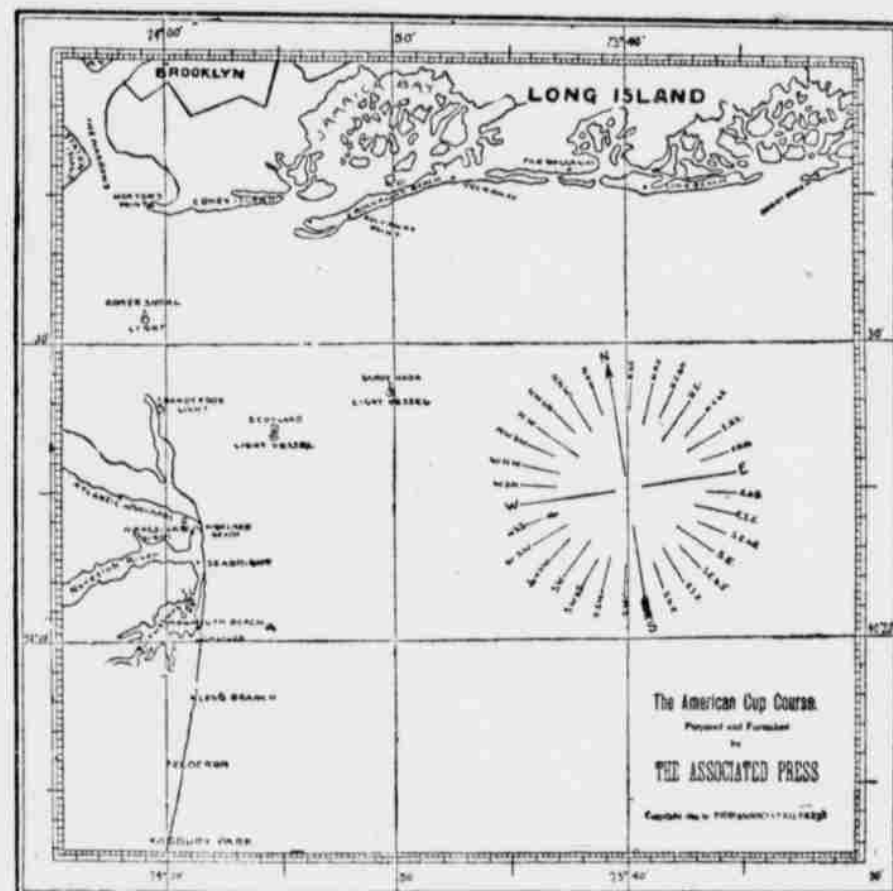
The Vessel Made the Landing at New York and Passengers Were Landed—Efforts of Firemen Were Futile and the Ship Was Scuttled.

NEW YORK, Oct. 6.—The Mallory line steamer Leona was burned and sunk at her wharf in East river Thursday night. The cargo, consisting of tobacco and 8,000 bales of cotton, and valued at \$300,000, is a total loss and the boat is little better than a wreck.

It is believed that the Leona, which sailed from Galveston September 27, caught fire at sea several days ago, since which time she has proceeded at full speed, with battered hatches, for this port.

At 3:30 p. m. Thursday the Leona came racing up East river to her pier, where haste was made to debark the passengers and open the hatches. An hour later an army of men was vainly fighting a fire in the steamer's hold. Finally the ship was scuttled. As soon as the Leona was made fast to her pier about 4 o'clock the officers of the vessel, commanded by Capt. Wilder, ordered the members of the crew to try to put out the fire in the hold without calling the fire department.

This was soon found to be impossible and an alarm was sent in. By 5 o'clock ten streams were playing from fire engines and six streams from fire boats. The firemen had a hard time



to get at the flames as the boat came into dock stern foremost leaving the burning portion out in the water. The fire was at first confined to the forward hatchway, directly forward of the foremast. The hatches being lifted a tremendous volume of smoke came out, making it impossible for the firemen to see. Soon tons of water were pouring into the doomed vessel and the ship began to list to starboard, settling a little as she did.

At 6 o'clock about 70 firemen, with the chief deputies, were on the boat working to keep the fire from spreading toward the stern. It was found to be beyond the efforts of the firemen, and an order was given to open the fore and aft port holes in order to allow the water to enter and make her settle. The water already pouring into the boat was managing to run along the bilge keels until it had reached aft and the ship showed evidence of listing to starboard. Most of the firemen finally left the ship by sliding down a hose which was fastened to the wheel.

About half a dozen men who were on the starboard side of the boat were unable to get to the pier and kept right on working as if nothing was happening to endanger their lives. They kept on and on until the ship commenced to sink, slowly but surely, until with a final list she went down. The men were thrown into the water. Deputy Chief Duane and Fireman Thomas McFarland, of engine No. 12, had to battle for life and were rescued with difficulty. Duane lost his helmet and was dragged out more dead than alive.

Several of the fire boats engaged in the work of rescuing the firemen were nearly carried down by the sinking of the Leona.

## Supplies for the Philippines.

NEW YORK, Oct. 6.—The British steamship Afridi, which sailed from this port Thursday for Manila, carried material for several pontoon bridges, 400 tons of engineering appliances, 600 tons of commissary supplies and several tons of compressed hay. The bales were one-third the usual size, as an experiment, with a view to economy in transportation.

## DEATH OF SENATOR HARLAN.

The Immediate Cause of His Demise Was Congestion of the Lungs, Complicated With Liver Trouble.

DES MOINES, Ia., Oct. 6.—The death of ex-United States Senator James Harlan occurred at his home in Mount Pleasant, Ia., at 9:35 o'clock Thursday morning. The end was not unexpected, a collapse having taken place last Sunday. The immediate cause of death was congestion of the lungs, complicated with liver trouble. Over exertion in attending sessions of the Iowa Methodist conference last week aggravated his maladies and caused prostration.

His daughter, the wife of Hon. Robert T. Lincoln, of Chicago, was summoned from New York city and was present at the bedside. Others present were: James Whitford and Mr. and Mrs. Crawford and son. No arrangements have been made for the funeral, but it will probably be held in Iowa Wesleyan university chapel, in Mount Pleasant, on Sunday afternoon.

## AGAIN DECLARED OFF.

Race Between the Columbia and Shamrock Was a Drifting Match Almost From Start to Finish.

NEW YORK, Oct. 6.—Again Thursday the sea refused the Shamrock and Columbia a field of conflict; again Thursday the multitude which went out to watch the contestants for the yacht racing championship of the world returned disappointed and not a little disgusted. The question of the supremacy of the two great yachts is still as much an open question as before they first met, as the contest Thursday was in some respects more of a fluke than that of Tuesday. It was a drifting match almost from start to finish.

The yachts crossed the line with a breeze of five knots, and the wind never blew more than six knots, most of the time less than three and part of the time not a breath of air was stirring. Aftersailing four hours and 43

## SHORT SPECIALS.

There were 15 cases of yellow fever reported Thursday and two deaths at Key West, Fla.

Gen. Brooke, at Havana, reports the death from yellow fever of Naval Machinist Frank E. Olsen.

Forty men employed at Cramps' shipyard, Philadelphia, representing various trades, Thursday joined the striking employes of that company.

Thursday's statement of the condition of the treasury shows: Available cash balance, \$287,477,293; gold reserve, \$255,427,193.

According to the Sebastopol correspondent of the Daily Graphic the Russian naval credit for 1900 amounts to the enormous total of \$7,500,000 rubles.

Fred Gilbert, of Spirit Lake, Ia., Thursday won the live bird match at 50 pigeons, defeating Chas. W. Budd, of Des Moines, by a score of 43 to 47.

The Paris correspondent of the Daily Mail says: "I learn that Germany is about to hand over documents which will lead to the quashing of the Dreyfus verdict."

United States Treasurer Roberts Thursday received an offer from U. S. J. Dunbar, a well known Washington sculptor, of a bronze portrait bust of Adm. Dewey, to be placed in the new Dewey residence.

According to advices from Guatemala the Central American situation is more than ever complicated. A revolution is contemplated in Salvador. President Selaya, of Nicaragua, is accused of using the lash to punish his political opponents.

Dr. Ellis, class of '86, who died in 1883, and whose will has just been probated, left to Harvard university \$149,000. Most of this sum is to be devoted to the education of his descendants and also for maintaining three professors at the medical school.

The Illinois Central Railroad Co. Thursday subscribed \$50,000 toward the \$500,000 stock fund of the St. Louis world's fair, celebrating the Louisiana purchase centennial, to be held in 1903. This practically insures the full subscription.

Prairie fires three miles west of Pana, Ill., Thursday destroyed hundreds of acres of meadow and corn, a thousand tons of hay and fences and buildings. The fire is still raging, though heroic efforts are being made to stay its progress. The loss will be many thousands of dollars.

A committee from the Atlanta, Ga., chamber of commerce, the Business Men's league and the city council left Thursday night for Washington to invite Adm. Dewey to visit Atlanta. If the admiral accepts the invitation the date of his visit will be left to his choice.

The annual report of the superintendent of the Hot Springs, Ark., reservation submitted to the interior department Thursday shows that the total supply of hot water under control is 888,000 gallons per day. This amount, the superintendent says, might be increased with suitable appliances to 1,000,000 gallons per day.

## Were on Board the Shamrock.

NEW YORK, Oct. 6.—Capt. Ben Parker and his brother William, of Emperor William's fast yacht Meteor, were on board the Shamrock in both Tuesday's and Thursday's races. Dr. Mackie, speaking for Sir Thomas Lipton, said that the two men were aboard the English boat simply because they are friends of Capt. Hogarth and Wringe.

## Fatally Injured by Highwayman.

GYANDOTTE, W. Va., Oct. 6.—James C. Miller of Rome, O., was attacked by highwaymen near here and fatally injured. His skull was crushed. The robbers secured little money.

## THE NATIONAL GAME.

The winners Thursday were: Pittsburgh, Boston, Louisville and Washington—Baltimore-Philadelphia tied.

Clubs.	Pitches.	R. H. E.
Cincinnati—Frisk.	0 0 3	
Louisville—Waddell.	4 9 1	

Baltimore—Nops.	2 5 1
Philadelphia—Donahue.	2 9 1

St. Louis—Sudhoff.	6 13 4
Pittsburgh—Gray, Leever.	9 19 0

Boston—Meekin.	9 11 1
New York—Seymour.	3 9 1

Washington—Dineen.	4 19 1
Brooklyn—Dunn.	1 9 4

## How They Stand.

Clubs.	W. L. P.	Clubs.	W. L. P.
Brooklyn.	46 45 .681	Pittsburgh.	74 72 .507
Boston.	42 53 .443	Louisville.	73 74 .500
Philadelphia.	90 65 .581	Chicago.	72 72 .500
Baltimore.	83 68 .550	New York.	81 61 .569
St. Louis.	82 64 .562	Washington.	81 61 .569
Cincinnati.	77 65 .542	Cleveland.	23 128 .152

## THE MARKETS.

CINCINNATI, Oct. 5.  
FLOUR—Spring patent, \$3.80; 4.15; spring fancy, \$3.10; 3.35; spring family, \$3.25; 3.50; winter patent, \$3.40; 3.70; fancy, \$3.10; 3.35; family, \$2.80; 2.75; extra, \$2.00; 2.25; low grade, \$1.75; 1.80; northwestern rye, \$2.50; 2.75; 10 city, \$3.10; 3.25.

WHEAT—Sales: No. 2 red, track, 73c; No. 3, 72c; select shipper, \$3.65; 3.70; select butchers, \$4.65; 4.70; fair to good packers, \$4.10; 4.20; fair to good light, \$4.80; 4.90; common and rough, \$3.75; 4.00.

CATTLE—Fair to good shippers, \$4.75; 5.00; good to choice butchers, \$4.50; 4.75; fair to medium butchers, \$4.25; 4.50; common, \$3.75; 4.00.

SHEEP—Extras, \$3.50; 4.00; good to choice, \$3.00; 3.25; common to fair, \$2.00; 2.25.

LAMBS—Extras, \$4.00; 4.50; good to choice, \$3.50; 4.00; fair to good, \$3.00; 3.25.

VEAL CALVES—Fair to good light, \$5.25; 5.75; common and large, \$4.00; 4.50.

CHICAGO, Oct. 5.  
WHEAT—December, 73c; May, 70c; 67c; 65c; 63c; 61c; 59c; 57c; 55c; 53c; 51c; 49c; 47c; 45c; 43c; 41c; 39c; 37c; 35c; 33c; 31c; 29c; 27c; 25c; 23c; 21c; 19c; 17c; 15c; 13c; 11c; 9c; 7c; 5c; 3c; 1c; 0c.



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